



## NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

**TO:** Office of Planning and Research  
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**FROM:** Department of Parks and Recreation  
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**PROJECT TITLE:** Burnt Pine Trail to Road (CRSP 135)

**LOCATION:** Cuyamaca Rancho State Park

**COUNTY:** San Diego

**DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:** An approximately 1.2 mile section of the Burnt Pine Trail, which was formerly a fire road, will be temporarily re-opened to vehicles to allow access for the preservation of the last remaining sugar pine stand in San Diego County and restoration of the unique Sky Island Conifer Forest environment.

**PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT:** California Department of Parks and Recreation

**NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT:** Colorado Desert District

**EXEMPT STATUS:**

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))  
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))  
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section )  
☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 1 and 4

Section: 15301 and 15304

**REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:** No potential for significant impact to the environment is anticipated in compliance with CEQA §15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the project description including comments provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15301 – Existing Facilities and §15304 – Minor Alterations to Land. The action falls under the Departmental List of Exempt activities according to CEQA §15300.4 as:

- "Trail or road repairs" and "Resource management projects" (Class 1, Section 15301); and
- "Trail construction or realignment" (Class 4, Section 15304)

The project consists of the minor public alterations in the condition of land and vegetation which do not involve removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees (class 4).

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